[Mr M. N. Pillai.]

Transfer of Magisterial Jurisdiction over certain pakuthies in the Minachil taluk to the Stationary Magistrate's Court at Ettumanur.

132. MR. J. JOHN NIDIRY : (*a*) Are the Government aware of the hardship caused to the people of the *pakuthies* of Minachil, Ramapuram, Lalam and Pulianur, by transferring the magisterial jurisdiction of the said *pakuthies* to the Stationary Magistrate's Court at Ettumanur ?

(*b*) Have the Government noticed that the Minachil Magistrate has no magisterial jurisdiction over the Lalam *pakuthi* where his court is situated ?

(*c*) Have not the people of the said *pakuthies* requested Government to fix a time for a deputation to represent their grievances ?

(*d*) Have they not also sent a memorial to the Government regarding the matter ?

(*e*) Do the Government propose to take any steps to redress their grievances ?

MR. R. KRISHNA PILLAI: (*a*) No.

(*b*), (*c*) & (*d*) Yes.

(*e*) The matter will be looked into.

Police Constables in Uniform without Numbers.

133. MR. M. N PILLAI : Will the Government be pleased to state what action they have taken in punishing the constables who were found without numbers on the 5th, 6th and 7th Kanni, 1097, and the officer or officers who were responsible in ordering the constables to remove their numbers when they were in uniform ?

MR. S. PARAMESVARA AIYAR : It is reported that no constables appeared in uniform without numbers on the 7th Kanni, 1097. The constables who appeared in uniform without numbers on the 5th and the 6th Kanni cannot now be identified, but the officers on account of whose laxity those constables so appeared have been punished.

MR. M. N. PILLAI : I want to know who were the constables on duty on that day.

PRESIDENT : The answer is already there, *viz.*, that it is reported that the constables could not be identified by the officers on duty on that day.

MR. M. N. PILLAI : Who are the officers punished ?

MR. S. PARAMESVARA AIYAR : The papers are confidential.

MR. M. N. PILLAI : Are Government not aware that some of the constables of the Cantonment Station on duty on that day without

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numbers were pointed out by Mr. A. Narayana Pillai, High Court Vakil, to the Distict Magistrate and to the Cantonment Inspector?

MR. S. PARAMESVARA AIYAR: I must have notice of that question.

Punishment of Officers in re. the Students' Strike.

134. MR. M. R. MADHAVA VARIAR: Will the Government be pleased to inform the Council:

(i) whether certain Government officials were reprimanded in connection with the students' s rike;

(ii) whether any departmental inquiry was held to find out their guilt;

(iii) how their guilt was appraised;

(iv) who are all the officials that are visited with Government's displeasure; and

(v) what is the mistake each one has committed in regard to the students' strike?

MR. S. PARAMESVARA AIYAR: (i) & (ii) Orders have been issued by Government after enquiry *in re.* the conduct of certain officers.

(iii), (iv) and (v). Representations have been received for a reconsideration in regard to some of these orders and they are under the consideration of Government. The orders are for the present confidential.

Papers and Punishments in re. Students' Strike.

135. MR. K. P. RAMAN PILLAI: Will the Government be pleased—

(*a*) to place on the table all the official reports and non-official representations regarding the incident which took place in the college compound on the 5th Kanni, 1097; and

(*b*) to state if any officers have been punished for the happenings of the 5th Kanni 1097, and, if so, what the punishments are?

MR. S. PARAMESVARA AIYAR: (*a*) The papers could not be sent to the press as they were till recently required for reference in disposing of the conduct of the officers concerned and they cannot be sent to the press until the representations now received from some of the said officers are disposed of. Owing to pressure of other work, it has also not been possible to prepare copies to be sent to the press of all the papers to be printed. Government fear that some more delay in the matter is inevitable.

(*b*) The member is referred to the answer to question No. 134.

MR. K. P. RAMAN PILLAI: What is the nature of the enquiry made in respect of these officers?

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